

# BIRD CHECKLIST

Sand Lake Peatland SNA

## MINNESOTA SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS



Natural places worth knowing



	Sp	S	F	W
<b>DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS</b>				
__ Canada Goose		X		
__ Mallard		X		
__ Ring-necked Duck		X		
<b>CRANES</b>				
__ Sandhill Crane		X		
<b>SANDPIPERS</b>				
__ Wilson's Snipe		X		
<b>LOONS</b>				
__ Common Loon		X		
<b>HAWKS AND EAGLES</b>				
__ Northern Harrier		X		
<b>OWLS</b>				
__ Great Gray Owl		X		
<b>WOODPECKERS</b>				
__ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker		X		
__ Black-backed Woodpecker		X		
__ Northern Flicker		X		
<b>FALCONS</b>				
__ American Kestrel		X		
<b>TYRANT FLYCATCHERS</b>				
__ Olive-sided Flycatcher		X		
__ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher		X		
__ Alder Flycatcher		X		
__ Least Flycatcher		X		
__ Eastern Kingbird		X		
<b>VIREOS</b>				
__ Blue-headed Vireo		X		
__ Red-eyed Vireo		X		
<b>JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES</b>				
__ Blue Jay		X		
__ American Crow		X		
__ Common Raven		X		
<b>CHICKADEES AND TITMICE</b>				
__ Boreal Chickadee		X		
<b>SWALLOWS</b>				
__ Tree Swallow		X		
<b>CREEPERS</b>				
__ Brown Creeper		X		

	Sp	S	F	W
<b>WRENS</b>				
__ Winter Wren		X		
__ Sedge Wren		X		
<b>THRUSHES</b>				
__ Swainson's Thrush		X		
__ Hermit Thrush		X		
__ American Robin		X		
<b>WAXWINGS</b>				
__ Cedar Waxwing		X		
<b>FINCHES</b>				
__ Purple Finch		X		
__ White-winged Crossbill		X		
__ Pine Siskin		X		
<b>SPARROWS</b>				
__ Chipping Sparrow		X		
__ Dark-eyed Junco		X		
__ White-throated Sparrow		X		
__ LeConte's Sparrow		X		
__ Savannah Sparrow		X		
__ Song Sparrow		X		
__ Lincoln's Sparrow		X		
__ Swamp Sparrow		X		
<b>BLACKBIRDS</b>				
__ Red-winged Blackbird		X		
<b>WARBLERS</b>				
__ Ovenbird		X		
__ Northern Waterthrush		X		
__ Black-and-white Warbler		X		
__ Nashville Warbler		X		
__ Connecticut Warbler		X		
__ Mourning Warbler		X		
__ Common Yellowthroat		X		
__ Magnolia Warbler		X		
__ Yellow Warbler		X		
__ Chestnut-sided Warbler		X		
__ Palm Warbler		X		
__ Yellow-rumped Warbler		X		
__ Black-throated Green Warbler		X		
__ Wilson's Warbler		X		

### Seasonal Occurrence Key

- Sp** - Spring (March through May)
- S** - Summer (June through July)
- F** - Fall (August through November)
- W** - Winter (December through February)
- C** - Common (seen every year/season)
- U** - Uncommon (seen every 2-3 years/season)
- O** - Occasional (seen every 4-9 years/season)
- R** - Rare (seen less than once every 10 years/season)
- X** - Observed during season, data insufficient for calculating occurrence

### Bird Identification Tips

- When you observe a bird, make note of at least **three** characteristics:
- Location** - Where did you see the bird (water, forest, feeder, lower branch, tree trunk)?
- Body size and shape** - Compare it to a known bird (smaller than a... bigger than a... plump like a... slender like a...). Looks at its tail, legs, and bill (long, short, thick, thin, curved, straight).
- Colors and markings** - Look on wings, tail, back, belly, rump, and head (stripe above eye, white spot on tail, etc.).
- Sounds and movements** - How does it act and sound (traveling alone or in groups, soaring, flapping, flap and glide, etc.)?

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